

names of all members absent and that the Sergeant-at-Arms be and he is hereby instructed to bring the absent members in at once.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Butler moved to reconsider the vote by which the motion prevailed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

On motion of Mr. Cope, Mr. Crudgington was excused indefinitely on account of important business.

On motion of Mr. Nordhaus, Mr. Wahrmond was excused indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. White, Mr. Williams of McLennan was excused indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Lanier, Mr. Taylor was excused indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Beasley, Mr. Poage was excused indefinitely on account of sickness.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Butler the House at 2:30 o'clock p. m. adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

TWELFTH DAY.

(Tuesday, September 11, 1917.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called and the following members were present:

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| Mr. Speaker. | Cope. |
| Baker. | Cox. |
| Beard of Milam. | Davis of Grimes. |
| Beasley. | Davis |
| Beason. | of Van Zandt. |
| Bedell. | De Bogory. |
| Bell. | Denton. |
| Bertram. | Dodd. |
| Blackmon. | Dudley. |
| Bland. | Estes. |
| Bledsoe. | Fisher. |
| Bryan. | Fitzpatrick. |
| Bryant. | Florer. |
| Burton of Rusk. | Fly. |
| Burton of Tarrant. | Greenwood. |
| Butler. | Haidusek. |
| Cadenhead. | Hardey. |
| Canales. | Harris. |
| Clark. | Hill. |

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| Holaday. | Sackett. |
| Holland. | Sallas. |
| Hudspeth. | Scholl. |
| Johnson. | Seawright. |
| Laas. | Sholars. |
| Lacey. | Smith of Bastrop. |
| Laney. | Smith of Hopkins. |
| Lanier. | Smith of Scurry. |
| Lee. | Spencer of Wise. |
| Lindemann. | Spradley. |
| Low | Stewart. |
| of Washington. | Swope. |
| McComb. | Terrell. |
| McDowra. | Thomason |
| McMillin. | of El Paso. |
| Martin. | Thomason |
| Meador. | of Nacogdoches. |
| Mendell. | Thompson |
| Miller of Austin. | of Hunt. |
| Miller of Dallas. | Thompson |
| Monday. | of Red River. |
| Morris. | Tillotson. |
| Murrell. | Tilson. |
| Neill. | Tinner. |
| Nordhaus. | Trayler. |
| O'Banion. | Tschoepe. |
| O'Brien. | Veatch. |
| Osborne. | Walker. |
| Peyton. | White. |
| Pillow. | Williford. |
| Raiden. | Wilson. |
| Reeves. | Woods. |
| Richards. | Yantis. |
| Russell. | |

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| Bagby. | Nichols. |
| Beard of Harris. | Peddy. |
| Blackburn. | Pope. |
| Brown. | Robertson. |
| Carlock. | Rogers. |
| Cates. | Sentell. |
| Davis of Dallas. | Spencer of Nolan. |
| Dunnam. | Strayhorn. |
| Hawkins. | Templeton. |
| Lange. | Thomas. |
| Lowe | Upchurch. |
| of McMullen. | Valentine. |
| McFarland. | Wahrmond. |
| Moore. | Williams |
| Neeley. | of Brazoria. |

Absent—Excused.

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| Blalock. | Poage. |
| Crudgington. | Roemer. |
| Fairchild. | Schlesinger. |
| Hartman. | Schlosshan. |
| Jones. | Taylor. |
| McCoy. | Williams |
| Metcalf. | of McLennan. |
| Parks. | Woodul. |

The Speaker announced a quorum present.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain, as follows:

Our Father, in the quiet of this sacred morning in prayer, we pray Thee to prepare us with the spirit of our Master that we may be gentle in spirit, kind and tender in our dealings with one another through the hours of this day. Forgive us for all our sins for Jesus' sake. Amen.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Roemer, for last Saturday and Monday, on motion of Mr. Lanier.

Mr. McCoy, for today, on motion of Mr. McDowra.

Mr. Parks, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Florer.

Mr. Miller of Austin, for last Saturday and Monday, on motion of Mr. Tillotson.

Mr. Beard of Milam, for last Saturday and Monday, on motion of Mr. Bryan.

Mr. Woodul, for balance of this week, on motion of Mr. Osborne.

Mr. Fairchild, for yesterday and today, on motion of Mr. Richards.

Mr. Metcalfe, for yesterday and today, on motion of Mr. Sackett.

Mr. Lindeman, for last Saturday and Monday, on motion of Mr. Sallas.

Mr. Laney, for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Florer.

Mr. Schlosshan, for last Saturday, yesterday and today, on motion of Mr. Cope.

Mr. Dodd, for yesterday and today, on motion of Mr. Cadenhead.

Mr. Schlesinger, for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Nordhaus.

Mr. Burton of Tarrant, for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Monday.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Bryan it was ordered that House bill No. 15 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Russell it was ordered that House bill No. 11 be not printed.

COMMENDING WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Mr. Monday offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The last half century has been the most progressive age in the world's history along industrial lines, and in intellectual development; and

Whereas, In our material development agriculture has received in many States and many countries due attention at the hands of those who desire a firm foundation upon which to build for future greatness; and

Whereas, The most potent and common agencies and mediums necessary for the development of the agricultural resources in the several States are fairs, marketing bureaus, farmers' institutes, and other similar institutions; and

Whereas, There are within the confines of the State of Texas many such institutions varying in magnitude from county fairs to fairs of statewide and even nationwide importance; and

Whereas, Texas is the empire State of the Union, possessing some of the greatest agricultural territory in the world, but ranks only nineteenth with her sister States in contributions of funds expended through her various agricultural departments to agricultural development; and

Whereas, In the older settled portions of the State, the field of agricultural products is declining; there is constant erosion in the fields for want of terracing; farm tenancy is increasing; rural life is becoming more exacting, and the exodus from the country to the cities continues to increase; therefore be it

Resolved, That we commend the work of the various departments in their efforts to develop the agricultural resources of the State, and we especially commend their work in conjunction with the different fairs of our State, and more specially in this connection the work of the Department of Agriculture at the Texas Cotton Palace at Waco, where it is making a special endeavor to provide for an exhibit that will reflect credit on our State and our progressive people; and be it

Resolved further, That the directors of the Texas Cotton Palace be and they are especially commended for their efforts to bring to the people of the State of Texas an educational exhibit of such exceptional worth and merit, and we specially recommend that the heads of the various State departments be and they are hereby requested to lend their fullest co-operation to those in charge of the Texas Cotton Palace to make the coming exhibit one of the best that has ever been held within this State with a view to the advancement of its educational, commercial and agricultural interests.

Signed—Monday, Fitzpatrick.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

Mr. Monday moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL ON FIRST READING.

The following House bill introduced today, was laid before the House, read the first time and referred to the appropriate committee as follows:

By Mr. Sackett:

H. B. No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections Nos. 2 and 14 of the Special Road Laws of Coleman county, Texas, approved April 15, 1905, being House bill No. 542, as amended by an act being House bill No. 688, of the Special Laws of Texas, and as amended by an act being House bill No. 52, of the Special Laws of Texas, approved June 4, 1915, which House bill No. 542 is entitled 'An Act to amend Sections 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 12 and 14 of the Special Laws of Texas, approved April 15, 1905, being House bill No. 542, entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Coleman county, Texas; and making the county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for the appointment of road overseers, and defining their duties and for the working of county convicts upon the public roads of said county, and providing for officers fees and rewards for escaped convicts, and authorizing the working of county convicts partly upon the county convict farm as well as upon the public roads, and partly upon both, in the discretion of the commissioners court, and making provisions applicable as far as practicable to convicts when worked upon county farms; and to provide for the summoning of teams for road work and for an allowance of time of road service for same; and fixing a penalty for a violation of this act; and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act as to Coleman county; providing for the condemnation of land needed for widening, straightening, changing or draining roads; providing for the taking of timber, gravel, earth, stone or other necessary material for the improvement of roads, and giving persons summoned to work upon the roads the right to be relieved from the discharge of such duty on the payment

of specific sums of money herein stipulated; providing for the collection of such sums of money by road overseers; and prescribing the penalties for failure to comply with the provisions of this act," and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1867 and 1868 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith by providing that a defendant who is in the service of the United States as a soldier shall not be required to answer to the merits of a demand sued upon during the time he is actively engaged as a soldier in the war between the United States and the imperial government of Germany, and providing that he shall be required to answer to the merits of such suit within ninety days from the date of the signing of a treaty of peace between the United States and the imperial government of Germany; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Lanier offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 2, by adding wherever the word "soldiers" appears, the words "or sailors."

(2)

Amend the caption of House bill No. 2, by adding wherever the word "soldiers" appears, the words, "or sailors."

The amendments were severally adopted.

House bill No. 2 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that in case of sales of real property of soldiers or sailors serving in the armies or navies of the

United States who are in war with Germany, by virtue of deeds of trust or mortgages, where such sales are made without foreclosure suits, that before the execution of any conveyance or delivery of the property there shall first be filed a suit for the confirmation of the sales and for authority to make conveyance and delivery of the property, declaring how service shall be had in such suits and the law applicable thereto."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 4 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing counties acting through their commissioners courts to purchase seeds to be planted on farms in such counties by residents thereof who are poor and unable to procure same and to purchase feed for the work stock of such residents, and prescribing the terms and conditions, rules and regulations by which such seeds and feed will be furnished said residents of the counties who are poor and unable to procure the same, and prescribing the amount thereof which may be furnished; authorizing counties to use their general funds for this purpose, where they have such funds; authorizing them to issue warrants against such funds if such counties will have the same when the taxes for the year 1918 are collected; authorizing counties of the State to issue bonds under Title 18, Chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes for the purpose of obtaining funds to be used as aforesaid; prescribing when the commissioners court shall submit the question for the issuance of bonds, the limitations thereof, and making the title and chapter above mentioned applicable to this act; providing how the proceeds of such bonds shall be handled; conferring certain powers and prescribing certain duties relative to administration of this act on the commissioners courts and the county clerks of the various counties of the State; defining the terms of the application and the contract by which residents of the counties acting within the purview of this act may obtain seed and feed thereunder, and pro-

viding for the payment thereof by such persons; conferring certain powers and authority upon the county treasurer and the county attorney relative to the administration of this act; providing the terms and conditions upon which the State will advance certain amounts to the various counties of the State to augment the funds provided for the purchase of seeds and feed, and the distribution of the same hereunder; stating the percentage of the amount which the State will advance, and the terms and conditions thereof; prescribing certain duties for the Commissioner of Agriculture, the State Treasurer, the Comptroller of Public Accounts, and the Attorney General of the State of Texas, relative to the administration of this act; providing for the repayment to the State of funds advanced by it; defining and creating certain offenses for violations of the terms of this act, and providing punishment therefor; stating when operation may be commenced under this act and when the distribution of seed and feed hereunder shall cease; making an appropriation for carrying out the purposes of this act in the sum of five thousand (\$5000) dollars and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Cope moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until 10 o'clock a. m. next Monday and that the bill be set as a special order for that hour.

Mr. Thomason of El Paso moved as a substitute for the above motion that the bill be set as a special order for 10 o'clock a. m. next Thursday.

Question first recurring on the substitute motion, it was lost.

Question next recurring on the motion of Mr. Cope, it was lost.

Mr. Thomason of El Paso then moved that the bill be set as a special order for 10 o'clock a. m. next Friday, September 14.

The motion prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 5 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 105 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, which is en-

titled 'An Act to prevent the diversion of electric current, water or gas from passing through any meter, and prevent any electric, water or gas meter by any manner or means from registering the full amount of current of electricity, water or gas that passes through it, and to prevent the diversion from any wire of electric current, water or gas, of any person, corporation or company engaged in the manufacture or distribution of electricity, water or gas, for lighting, power or other purposes; and to prevent the retaining of or refusing to deliver any meters, lamps or other appliances which may have been loaned or supplied for furnishing electricity, water or gas; and to prescribe a penalty for the violation thereof'; so amending said chapter as to make the presence on or about such meters, wires and pipes, or any device for the diversion of electric current, water or gas, or for the prevention of the proper action, or registration of the meter prima facie evidence of intention on the part of the user to defraud, within the scope of such chapter, and so amending said act as to effect more fully the purpose thereof, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

Mr. Nordhaus moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 6 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of home guards under the direction of the sheriff of the county; providing for the regulation of such home guards, and granting the right of counties, cities and towns to appropriate money to provide arms and ammunition for such home guard, and providing an emergency."

The bill was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Holland the bill was laid upon the table subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 7 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House,

on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to further regulate the conducting of fish hatcheries and the propagation of fish in the State by amending Article 4000 of the Revised Civil Statutes of this State, 1911, as amended by Chapter 146 of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, providing for the distribution by State Fish Hatcheries of fish to private persons; providing for Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner of the State of Texas, as well as the United States Commissioner of Fisheries, or the duly authorized agents may take or catch brood fish from the public fresh waters of this State for the purpose of propagation, according to the United States Commissioner of Fisheries and his duly authorized agents the right to conduct fish hatching and fish culture and all operations connected therewith in any manner and at any time that may by them be considered necessary and proper; providing for a closed season on crappie, bass or catfish; and prescribing the size of fish that may be taken; providing a penalty for a violation of this statute, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Holland raised a point of order on further consideration of the bill on the ground that it contained a subject not submitted by the Governor.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

Mr. O'Banion offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 7, page 2, line 21, after the word "year" by striking out the "period," substituting a "semicolon" therefor and adding the following:

"Provided that it shall not be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation or their agents to take, catch, seine, entrap or have in their possession any such fish from a private pond when the same shall not cover more than 75 acres of water."

Mr. Holland offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend House bill No. 7 on page 2 by striking out all of Section 3.

Signed—Holland, Bertram.

The substitute was adopted.

The amendment as substituted was then adopted.

Mr. Holland moved to reconsider the vote by which the substitute was

adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Peyton offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 7, page 2, line 26 by adding after the word "length" the following: "Except for propagation and culture."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bertram offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 7 by adding after the word "offense," in Section 4, line 29 on page 2, the following, "Hopkins county is hereby exempted from the provisions of this bill."

The amendment was lost.

On motion of Mr. Tillotson the bill was laid upon the table subject to call.

MESSAGES FROM THE ACTING GOVERNOR.

Mr. S. Raymond Brooks, private secretary to the Acting Governor, appeared at the bar of the House and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Acting Governor, which were read to the House:

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your body the following subject:

Enactment of a law to amend Article 7355, Chapter 1, Title 126, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, by adding there a section so as to exempt hobby horses, theaters, circuses, menageries, acrobatic performances, sleight of hand performances, waxworks and other forms of entertainment from an occupation tax when such forms of amusement or entertainment are operated in connection with and under the auspices and for the benefit of county or district agricultural fairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your honorable body the following subject:

Enactment of a law to amend Sections Nos. 2 and 14 of the Special Road Laws of Coleman county, Texas, approved

April 15, 1905, being House bill No. 542, as amended by an act, being House bill No. 688, of the Special Laws of Texas, and as amended by an act, being House bill No. 52, of the Special Laws of Texas, approved June 4, 1915, which House bill No. 542 is entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Coleman county Texas," so as to prescribe the power and authority of commissioners court of said county.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your honorable body the following subject:

Enactment of a law amending the act creating the Rock Island Independent School District, as passed by the First Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and describing metes and bounds for said school district, the same being in Colorado county, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your honorable body the following subject:

Enactment of a law to amend Sections 1, 2 and 6, Chapter 4 of the Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, being an act to create a more efficient road law for Llano county, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your honorable body the following subject:

Enactment of a law creating and establishing the Anahuac Independent School District in Chambers county, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your honorable body the following subject:

Enactment of a law to amend Chapter 27 of the General Laws passed by the First Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, 1917, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 189 of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas," providing and fixing the salary of official shorthand reporters for each judicial district.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Third Called Session:

I beg to submit for the consideration of your honorable body the following subject:

Enactment of a law to establish and maintain at the Ferguson State Farm in Madison county, or the Shaw State Farm in Bowie county, or State Farm in Brazoria county, a school for the education and training of delinquent and incorrigible negro boys, to be named and known as the State Training School for Negro Boys, the government and management of which shall be vested in the Board of Prison Commissioners of this State; and the appropriation of such sums as may be necessary to be used by said Commissioners in carrying out the purposes of such an act.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HOBBY,

Acting Governor of Texas.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, September 11, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of home guards under the direction of the sheriff of the county; providing for the regulation of such home guard and granting the right to counties, cities and towns to appropriate money

to provide arms and ammunition for such home guard, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the special road law of Cass county, Texas, enacted by the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1917, which became effective June 2, 1917, same being an act to create a more efficient road law for Cass county; making the county commissioners ex-officio road supervisors, defining their duties and fixing their salaries; 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Cass county, Texas, and defining the powers and duties of the commissioners court of said county relative to roads and bridges of said county, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road supervisors of their respective districts, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 13 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 13, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the fees and fines collected under the provisions of Chapter 108, Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, Regular Session, 1915, during the remainder of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1918, and the fiscal year ending August 31, 1919, for the support of the Bureau of Labor Statistics in the enforcement of this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Question recurring on engrossment of bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The House refused to pass the bill to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—35.

Mr. Speaker.
Beason.
Bland.

Burton of Tarrant.
Cox.
Denton.

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| Dudley. | Monday. |
| Estes. | Morris. |
| Fisher. | Nordhaus. |
| Florer. | O'Banion. |
| Greenwood. | O'Brien. |
| Hardey. | Schlesinger. |
| Harris. | Scholl. |
| Holland. | Sholars. |
| Johnson. | Spradley. |
| Laney. | Swope. |
| Lanier. | Thomason |
| Martin. | of Nacogdoches. |
| Mendell. | Tillotson. |
| Miller of Austin. | Tschoepe. |
| Miller of Dallas. | Walker. |

Nays—49.

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| Baker. | McMillin. |
| Beard of Milam. | Meador |
| Beasley. | Neill. |
| Bedell. | Peyton. |
| Bell. | Raiden. |
| Bertram. | Reeves. |
| Blackmon. | Richards |
| Burton of Rusk. | Russell. |
| Butler. | Sackett. |
| Cadenhead. | Sallas. |
| Canales. | Seawright. |
| Clark. | Smith of Bastrop. |
| Cope. | Smith of Hopkins. |
| Davis of Grimes. | Stewart. |
| Davis | Terrell. |
| of Van Zandt. | Thompson |
| Fitzpatrick. | of Hunt. |
| Hill. | Tilson. |
| Holaday. | Tinner. |
| Hudspeth. | Trayler. |
| Laas. | Veatch. |
| Lacey. | White. |
| Lee. | Williford. |
| Lindemann. | Wilson. |
| McComb. | Yantis. |
| McDowra. | |

Present—Not Voting.

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| Bledsoe. | Pillow. |
| Bryan. | Smith of Scurry. |
| De Bogory. | Spencer of Wise. |
| Fly. | Thomason |
| Haidusek. | of El Paso. |
| Murrell. | Woods. |

Absent.

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| Bagby. | Low |
| Beard of Harris. | of Washington. |
| Blackburn. | McFarland. |
| Brown. | Moore |
| Bryant. | Neeley. |
| Cates. | Nichols. |
| Davis of Dallas. | Osborne |
| Dunnam. | Peddy. |
| Hawkins. | Pope. |
| Lange. | Robertson. |
| Lowe | Rogers. |
| of McMullen. | Sentell. |

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| Schlosshan. | Upchurch. |
| Spencer of Nolan. | Valentine. |
| Strayhorn. | Wahrmund. |
| Templeton. | Williams |
| Thomas. | of Brazoria. |
| Thompson | |
| of Red River. | |

Absent—Excused.

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| Blalock. | Metcalf. |
| Carlock. | Parks. |
| Crudgington. | Poage. |
| Dodd. | Roemer. |
| Fairchild. | Taylor. |
| Hartman. | Williams |
| Jones. | of McLennan. |
| McCoy. | Woodul. |

Reason for Voting.

I vote "nay" on H. B. No. 13 because I believe the appropriations made for this department are sufficient.

PEYTON.

Mr. Bertram moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING.

Senate bill No. 8 was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 15 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Seventieth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to make all process issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the terms of the courts as herein fixed; to validate such process and to validate the summoning of grand and petit juries; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 11 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 37, Chapter 17, of the General and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Thirty-third Legislature at its First Called Session, being 'An Act creating the San Patricio county road system, so as to require the tax assessor to make up the tax rolls of said county by defined road districts, instead of by justice precincts, by adding a new section to be designated as Section 37a; fixing a compensation of the tax assessor, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Russell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill by inserting a new section to be known as Section 37b. Said section to immediately follow Section 37a, and to read as follows:

Section 37b. Defined road districts under this chapter created for the purpose of issuing bonds, it is hereby provided that when any district is created in said county by the commissioners court thereof, and a bond election is ordered in said district, and upon a vote thereon the bonds are defeated, said district shall thereby be abrogated; provided further, that all defined road districts heretofore created in said county in which bond issues have been defeated, are hereby declared abrogated; provided further, that when any defined road district created under this chapter once votes bonds, no future election in said district shall affect the validity of said district, but the same shall remain as a defined road district under this chapter.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 11 was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Lanier moved to suspend the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House and that House bill No. 10 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—87.

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| Mr. Speaker. | Bedell. |
| Baker. | Bell. |
| Beard of Milam. | Bertram. |
| Beasley. | Blackmon. |
| Beason. | Bland. |

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| Bryant. | Mendell. |
| Burton of Rusk. | Miller of Austin. |
| Burton of Tarrant. | Miller of Dallas. |
| Butler. | Monday. |
| Cadenhead. | Morris. |
| Canales. | Neill. |
| Clark. | Nordhaus. |
| Cope. | O'Banion. |
| Cox. | O'Brien. |
| Davis of Grimes. | Peyton. |
| Davis | Pillow. |
| of Van Zandt. | Pope. |
| De Bogory. | Raiden. |
| Denton. | Reeves. |
| Dudley. | Richards. |
| Estes. | Russell. |
| Fisher. | Sackett. |
| Fitzpatrick. | Schlesinger. |
| Florer. | Scholl. |
| Greenwood. | Seawright. |
| Hardey. | Sholars. |
| Harris. | Smith of Bastrop. |
| Holaday. | Smith of Hopkins. |
| Holland. | Smith of Scurry. |
| Hudspeth. | Spradley. |
| Johnson. | Stewart. |
| Laas. | Terrell. |
| Lacey. | Thomason |
| Laney. | of Nacogdoches. |
| Lanier. | Thompson |
| Lee. | of Hunt. |
| Lindemann. | Tillotson. |
| Lowe | Tilson. |
| of McMullen. | Traylor. |
| Low | Tschoepe. |
| of Washington. | Veatch. |
| McComb. | Walker. |
| McDowra. | White. |
| McFarland. | Williford. |
| McMillin. | Wilson. |
| Meador. | Yantis. |

Present—Not Voting.

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| Bledsoe. | Spencer of Wise. |
| Bryan. | Thomason |
| Fly. | of El Paso. |
| Haidusek. | Woods. |
| Murrell. | |

Absent.

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| Bagby. | Rogers. |
| Beard of Harris. | Sallas. |
| Blackburn. | Sentell. |
| Brown. | Schlosshan. |
| Cates. | Spencer of Nolan. |
| Davis of Dallas. | Strayhorn. |
| Dunnam. | Swope. |
| Hawkins. | Templeton. |
| Hill. | Thomas. |
| Lange. | Thompson |
| Martin. | of Red River. |
| Moore. | Tinner. |
| Neeley. | Upchurch. |
| Nichols. | Valentine. |
| Osborne. | Wahrmund. |
| Peddy. | Williams |
| Robertson. | of Brazoria. |

Absent—Excused.

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| Blalock. | Metcalf. |
| Carlock. | Parks. |
| Crudgington. | Poage. |
| Dodd. | Roemer. |
| Fairchild. | Taylor. |
| Hartman. | Williams |
| Jones. | of McLennan. |
| McCoy. | Woodul. |

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 10 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—96.

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| Mr. Speaker. | Lowe |
| Baker. | of McMullen. |
| Beard of Milam. | Low |
| Beasley. | of Washington. |
| Beason. | McComb. |
| Bedell. | McDowra. |
| Bell. | McMillin. |
| Bertram. | Martin. |
| Blackmon. | Meador. |
| Bland. | Mendell. |
| Bledsoe. | Miller of Austin. |
| Bryan. | Miller of Dallas. |
| Bryant. | Monday. |
| Burton of Rusk. | Morris. |
| Burton of Tarrant. | Neill. |
| Butler. | Nordhaus. |
| Cadenhead. | O'Banion. |
| Canales. | O'Brien. |
| Clark. | Osborne. |
| Cope. | Peyton. |
| Cox. | Pillow. |
| Davis of Grimes. | Pope. |
| Davis | Raiden. |
| of Van Zandt. | Reeves. |
| De Bogory. | Richards. |
| Denton. | Sackett. |
| Dudley. | Sallas. |
| Estes. | Schlesinger. |
| Fisher. | Scholl. |
| Fitzpatrick. | Seawright. |
| Florer. | Sholars. |
| Fly. | Smith of Bastrop. |
| Greenwood. | Smith of Hopkins. |
| Haidusek. | Smith of Scurry. |
| Hardey. | Spencer of Wise. |
| Harris. | Spradley. |
| Holaday. | Stewart. |
| Holland. | Terrell. |
| Hudspeth. | Thomason |
| Johnson. | of El Paso. |
| Laas. | Thomason |
| Lacey. | of Nacogdoches. |
| Laney. | Thompson |
| Lanier. | of Hunt. |
| Lee. | Thompson |
| Lindemann. | of Red River. |

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| Tillotson. | White. |
| Tilson. | Williford. |
| Trayler. | Wilson. |
| Tschoepe. | Woods. |
| Veatch. | Yantis. |
| Walker. | |

Present—Not Voting.

Murrell.

Absent.

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| Bagby. | Robertson. |
| Beard of Harris. | Rogers. |
| Blackburn. | Russell. |
| Brown. | Sentell. |
| Carlock. | Schlosshan. |
| Cates. | Spencer of Nolan. |
| Davis of Dallas | Strayhorn. |
| Dunnam. | Swope. |
| Hawkins. | Templeton. |
| Hill. | Thomas. |
| Jones. | Tinner. |
| Lange. | Upchurch. |
| McFarland | Valentine. |
| Moore. | Wahrmund. |
| Neeley. | Williams |
| Nichols. | of Brazoria. |
| Peddy. | |

Absent—Excused.

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| Blalock. | Parks. |
| Crudgington. | Poage. |
| Dodd. | Roemer. |
| Fairchild. | Taylor. |
| Hartman. | Williams |
| McCoy. | of McLennan. |
| Metcalf. | Woodul. |

Mr. Lanier moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 11 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Russell moved to suspend the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house and that House bill No. 11 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—95.

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| Mr. Speaker. | Bryan. |
| Baker. | Bryant. |
| Beard of Milam. | Burton of Rusk. |
| Beasley. | Burton of Tarrant. |
| Beason. | Butler. |
| Bedell. | Cadenhead. |
| Bell. | Canales. |
| Bertram. | Clark. |
| Blackmon. | Cope. |
| Bland. | Cox. |
| Bledsoe. | Davis of Grimes. |

Davis
of Van Zandt.
De Bogory.
Denton.
Dudley.
Estes.
Fisher.
Florer.
Fly.
Greenwood.
Haidusek.
Hardey.
Harris.
Hill.
Holaday.
Holland.
Hudspeth.
Johnson.
Laas.
Lacey.
Laney.
Lanier.
Lee.
Lindemann.
Lowe
of McMullen.
Low
of Washington.
McComb.
McDowra.
McMillin.
Martin.
Meador.
Mendell.
Miller of Austin.
Miller of Dallas.
Monday.
Morris.
Neill.
Nordhaus.
O'Banion.

Present—Not Voting.

Murrell.

Absent.

Bagby.
Beard of Harris.
Blackburn.
Brown.
Carlock.
Cates.
Davis of Dallas.
Dunnam.
Fitzpatrick.
Hawkins.
Jones.
Lange.
McFarland.
Moore.
Neeley.
Nichols.
Peddy.
Pillow.
Robertson.
Rogers.
Sentell.
Schlosshan.
Sholars.
Spencer of Nolan.
Strayhorn.
Templeton.
Thomas.
Tinner.
Upchurch.
Valentine.
Wahrmund.
Williams
of Brazoria.

Absent—Excused.

Blalock.
Crudgington.
Dodd.
Fairchild.

O'Brien.
Osborne.
Peyton.
Pope.
Raiden.
Reeves.
Richards.
Russell.
Sackett.
Sallas.
Schlesinger.
Scholl.
Seawright.
Smith of Bastrop.
Smith of Hopkins.
Smith of Scurry.
Spencer of Wise.
Spradley.
Stewart.
Swope.
Terrell.
Thomason
of El Paso.
Thomason
of Nacogdoches.
Thompson
of Hunt.
Thompson
of Red River.
Tillotson.
Tilson.
Trayler.
Tschoepe.
Veatch.
Walker.
White.
Williford.
Wilson.
Woods.
Yantis.

Hartman.
McCoy.
Metcalf.
Parks.
Poage.

Roemer.
Taylor.
Williams
of McLennan.
Woodul.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 11 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

The Clerk was directed to call the roll and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—97.

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| Mr. Speaker. | McComb. |
| Baker. | McDowra. |
| Beard of Milam. | McFarland. |
| Beasley. | McMillin. |
| Beason. | Martin. |
| Bedell. | Meador. |
| Bell. | Mendell. |
| Bertram. | Miller of Austin. |
| Blackmon. | Miller of Dallas. |
| Bland. | Monday. |
| Bledsoe. | Morris. |
| Bryan. | Neill. |
| Bryant. | Nordhaus. |
| Burton of Rusk. | O'Banion. |
| Burton of Tarrant. | O'Brien. |
| Butler. | Osborne. |
| Cadenhead. | Peyton. |
| Canales. | Pope. |
| Clark. | Raiden. |
| Cope. | Reeves. |
| Cox. | Richards. |
| Davis of Grimes. | Russell. |
| Davis of Van Zandt. | Sackett. |
| De Bogory. | Sallas. |
| Denton. | Schlesinger. |
| Dudley. | Scholl. |
| Estes. | Seawright. |
| Fisher. | Sholars. |
| Fitzpatrick. | Smith of Bastrop. |
| Florer. | Smith of Hopkins. |
| Fly. | Smith of Scurry. |
| Greenwood. | Spencer of Wise. |
| Haidusek. | Spradley. |
| Hardey. | Stewart. |
| Harris. | Swope. |
| Hill. | Templeton. |
| Holaday. | Terrell. |
| Holland. | Thomason of El Paso. |
| Hudspeth. | Thomason of Nacogdoches. |
| Johnson. | Thompson of Hunt. |
| Laas. | Thompson of Red River. |
| Lacey. | Tillotson. |
| Laney. | Tilson. |
| Lanier. | Trayler. |
| Lee. | Tschoepe. |
| Lindemann. | Veatch. |
| Lowe of McMullen. | Walker. |
| Low of Washington. | |

White.
Williford.
Wilson.

Woods.
Yantis.

Present—Not Voting.

Murrell.

Absent.

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| Bagby. | Pillow. |
| Beard of Harris. | Robertson. |
| Blackburn. | Rogers. |
| Brown. | Sentell. |
| Carlock. | Schlosshan. |
| Catcs. | Spencer of Nolan. |
| Davis of Dallas. | Strayhorn. |
| Dunnam. | Thomas. |
| Hawkins. | Tinner. |
| Jones. | Upchurch. |
| Lange. | Valentine. |
| Moore. | Wahrmund. |
| Neeley. | Williams |
| Nichols. | of Brazoria. |
| Peddy. | |

Absent—Excused.

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| Blalock. | Parks. |
| Crudgington. | Poage. |
| Dodd. | Roemer. |
| Fairchild. | Taylor. |
| Hartman. | Williams |
| McCoy. | of McLennan. |
| Metcalf. | Woodul. |

RELATING TO SUSPENSION OF LAWS CREATING SCHOOLS.

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, the resolution offered on last Friday by Mr. Dunnam relating to the suspension of laws creating schools, with motion by Mr. Peyton to postpone further consideration of the resolution indefinitely pending.

Question—Shall the motion to postpone indefinitely prevail?

On motion of Mr. O'Banion the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

RELATING TO PAYMENT OF PENSION WARRANTS.

The Speaker laid before the House, as unfinished business, the resolution offered on last Thursday by Mr. Fairchild, relating to the payment of pension warrants.

Question—Shall the resolution be adopted?

On motion of Mr. Cope the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Holland, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 8 be not printed.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally the first time and referred to the appropriate committees as follows:

By Mr. Beason:

H. B. No. 17, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the Anahuac Independent School District in Chambers county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free school within said district; investing the said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated under the general laws for free school purposes only; providing for the assumption and refunding by the Anahuac Independent School District as herein defined for the bonded indebtedness of the existing Anahuac Common School District No. 3 of Chambers county, Texas; and validating those obligations; repealing all laws in so far as they conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Martin:

H. B. No. 18, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1, 2 and 6, Chapter 4, of the Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, 1917, being an act to create a more efficient road law for Llano county, Texas, etc."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Lee, the House at 11:15 o'clock a. m. adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 10, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred H. B. No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Seventieth Judicial Dis-

trict of the State of Texas, and to make all process issued or served before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the terms of the courts as herein fixed; to validate such process and to validate the summoning of grand and petit juries; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency," beg leave to submit the following floor report:

We find that this bill merely changes the law creating the Seventieth Judicial District, enacted during the Thirty-fifth Legislature at the Regular Session, so that the county of Midland shall have only three weeks of court, and allows the county of Glasscock to have two weeks of court, whereas the former bill allowed said county to have only one week of court.

We recommend that said House bill No. 15 do pass.

PILLOW, Vice-Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House bill No. 13, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Swope has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

NORDHAUS, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 8, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred House bill No. 12, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with the amendments. Mr. Denton has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

NORDHAUS, Vice-Chairman.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ROADS, BRIDGES AND FERRIES.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 11, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads,

Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 11, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with the committee amendments.

SACKETT, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 11, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill No. 10, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

SACKETT, Acting Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 11, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 17, have had same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

THOMASON, Chairman.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

(Wednesday, September 12, 1917.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called and the following members were present:

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| Baker. | Cadenhead. |
| Beard of Milam. | Canales. |
| Beasley. | Cates. |
| Beason. | Clark. |
| Bedell. | Cope. |
| Bell. | Cox. |
| Bertram. | Davis of Dallas. |
| Blackburn. | Davis of Grimes. |
| Blackmon. | Davis |
| Bland. | of Van Zandt. |
| Bledsoe. | De Bogory. |
| Bryan. | Denton. |
| Bryant. | Dodd. |
| Burton of Rusk. | Dudley. |
| Burton of Tarrant. | Estes. |
| Butler. | Fisher. |